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## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Preferred embodiments of the invention are described in relation to the drawings in which:

**Figure 1.** (a) Shows the nucleic acid molecule that is SEQ ID NO:1 and the polypeptide that is SEQ ID NO:2.

In a preferred embodiment, the figure shows isolated *AtNHX1* cDNA encoding a  $\text{Na}^+/\text{H}^+$  exchanger from *Arabidopsis thaliana* showing cDNA sequence and the corresponding amino acid sequence for *AtNHX1*. Twelve transmembrane domains are present, a conserved amiloride-binding domain is present, and a relatively hydrophilic C-terminal region is also present. The predicted open reading frame begins at nucleotide 286. The amino acids are centred below the corresponding codon and are numbered on the left;

(b) Shows the nucleic acid molecule that is SEQ ID NO:3 and the polypeptide that is SEQ ID NO:4.

In a preferred embodiment, the figure shows isolated *AtNHX2* cDNA encoding a  $\text{Na}^+/\text{H}^+$  exchanger from *Arabidopsis thaliana* showing cDNA sequence and the corresponding predicted amino acid sequence for *AtNHX2*. The predicted open reading frame begins at nucleotide 61. The amino acids are centred below the corresponding codon and are numbered on the left;

(c) (i) Shows the nucleic acid molecule that is SEQ ID NO:5 and the polypeptide that is SEQ ID NO:6. (ii) Shows the nucleic acid molecule that is SEQ ID NO:7 and the polypeptide that is SEQ ID NO:8.

In a preferred embodiment, the figure shows *AtNHX3* partial cDNA sequences. The amino acids are centred below the corresponding codon and are numbered on the left (i) 5' sequence of the partial *AtNHX3* cDNA and amino acid sequence; (ii) In a preferred embodiment, the figure shows 3' sequence of the partial *AtNHX3* cDNA and amino sequence;

(d) Shows the nucleic acid molecule that is SEQ ID NO:17 and the polypeptide that is SEQ ID NO:18.

In a preferred embodiment, the figure shows isolated *AtNHX3* cDNA encoding a  $\text{Na}^+/\text{H}^+$  exchanger from *Arabidopsis thaliana* showing cDNA sequence and the

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